GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
LOK SABHA

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SLUMS IN DELHI
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have formulated any scheme to make Delhi free from Jhuggi clusters;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the number of unauthorised colonies of workers in Delhi and the number of workers living in such colonies;

(d) whether any time frame has been fixed to rehabilitate them; and

(e) the steps taken by the Union Government to check fresh encroachments on the public land?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a)&(b): The Government have been following three-pronged strategy to deal with the Slum & JJ Clustersin Delhi, the details of which are:

(i) Where the JJ dwellers are residing before 31.12.98 on land urgently required by the land owning agency for the execution of a public purpose project, these JJ dwellers are relocated elsewhere.

(ii) In-situ up-gradation of the JJ colony is resorted to where the land owning agency does not need the land in the foreseeable future and gives No Objection Certificate to the effect that such clusters may be upgraded.

(iii) Civic amenities like water supply, street lighting, road, storm water drains, etc. are provided in JJ clusters, which do not fall in categories
(i) and
(ii) above.

(c)&(d): No such details are available with the Government.

(e): Central Government has been impressing upon all land owning agencies to be more vigilant to keep their vacant lands free from encroachments.